



Responding to climate change in partnership with our Pacific Island neighbours

Patrons: Mrs Bonita Mabo and Most Rev Bishop Peter Ingham

Kiribati course participants ready to report on their projects

An important part of the recent Australian Awards Fellowship program conducted by the Pacific Calling Partnership was that each Fellow prepared a project to carry out in their work place when they returned home. The participants were asked to discuss their projects with their supervisors when they returned to Kiribati. After the initial review they commenced work on the project. It is now time for them to report on their progress.

Phil Glendenning, Jill Finnane, Dr Jack Frawley and Maria Tiimon Chi-Fang will be going to Kiribati from 21 to 24 May to assess the progress of the Fellows' projects. Their time in Kiribati will be focused on the Fellows' projects and reflections, but it is also an opportunity to hear from others such as the first, 2012, group of Australian Awards Fellows.

Beyond 2015 - Voices from Kiribati

Click on the link https://www.erc.org.au/sdgs_beyond_2015 to see and hear a heart rending video and song composed by Australian Awards Fellow Pelenise Alofa.

The song *Beyond 2015* was composed, sung and performed in Kiribati to tell the world through song and pictures of the urgent need that Kiribati and world has to address the **United Nations Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**. The goals replace the [Millennium Development Goals \(MDGs\)](#) which ended with countries like Kiribati getting nowhere near achieving them.

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Australian Awards Fellows in Sydney



Maria Tiimon, Orabwa Tion, Pelenise Alofa, Jack Frawley, Taiman Bunaua, Kaokatekai Kaino Riwata and Rakentai Momoe

Teumauma during the Australian Awards Fellowship program

Exciting new opportunity at the ERC



The Edmund Rice Centre for Justice & Community Education - [Awareness Advocacy Action](#)

Volunteer Librarian /Archivist

The Pacific Calling Partnership (PCP) team of the Edmund Rice Centre is seeking a Librarian/Archivist to assist us in the safe keeping of our records and historically valuable documents.

Who we are

The Edmund Rice Centre is involved in research, community education, advocacy and networking into the causes of poverty and inequity in society, especially with regard to youth and Indigenous Australians.

The Pacific Calling Partnership is a team of the Edmund Rice Centre who seeks an Australia and a world that listens to calls from our low-lying island neighbours in the Torres Strait and the Pacific especially about the serious threat that climate change poses to them. PCP recognises that Australia has an ecological debt to these peoples and raises awareness of our responsibility to these communities as part of a global solution towards a sustainable future.

The Role

In an effort to manage our past 12 years of written communications and photographic records and improve our systems of archiving and retrieval of information, Pacific Calling Partnership is seeking a volunteer to assist us in this role.

As a volunteer with the Pacific Calling Partnership, you would have the opportunity to work with a motivated team committed to making a difference to the future of our nearest Pacific neighbours.

It is a part time volunteer position with flexible working days and times.

Selection Criteria

To be successful in your application you will have the following experience:

1. Experience in archiving and safe keeping of documents, information and photographs
2. Commitment to the vision behind the Edmund Rice Centre's work.

Apply Now

If you would like to join a small dynamic team working in this exciting area, please submit a brief CV together with a covering letter by June 15, 2018 to Jill Finnane, Program Coordinator PCP at jillf@erc.org.au

A new volunteer - welcome Tebeio Tamton



The PCP team is pleased to welcome Tebeio Tamton, the newest volunteer to join the team. He is a Kiribati national who is currently studying as a post graduate student at the UNSW. He will be joining the team on Mondays and Fridays and will provide much needed support to our work.

Tebeio has already helped Maria in presenting a workshop "Climate change in the Pacific and Displacement" which they gave to Masters Students in Development at the UNSW. He will be representing PCP at the Newcastle Uniting Church's *Inspiracy Festival* where he will be running a workshop on 18th May called "Pacific Climate Change Responses".

He will also be appearing on a panel alongside a theologian and a scientist dealing with the theme "Sacred Earth". Besides talks and workshops to the community, Tebeio will be doing research, preparing educational materials and helping in Maria's Outreach work. Welcome Tebeio!

The Coconut Palm Space

The Pacific Calling Partnership offers space for Pacific Island community groups to meet

For bookings phone Maria on 8762 4200 or email maria@erc.org.au

Introducing: **The Coconut Palm Space** for minority Pacific Islands such as Tuvalu, Kiribati, Marshall Islands and Tokelau



At the Edmund Rice Centre. 15 Henley Rd,
Homebush West, NSW 2140

Meeting Room Availability: The Pacific Calling Partnership invites community organisations from the minority Pacific Islands communities to book the Edmund Rice Centre meeting room after working hours or Saturdays.

Support for University students: The Pacific Calling Partnership offers students from the minority communities the opportunity for: Coaching, Mentoring, Form filling in, and Students group meeting place

How to make a booking: Pacific Outreach Officer (Maria Tiimon Chi-Fang) will be co-ordinating this new program. To make enquiries or to make a booking or an appointment contact Maria on 8762 4200 or via email mariat@erc.org.au



The Edmund Rice Centre is a community centre where people come together to work for a better world.

Pacific Calling Partnership strives to facilitate links between concerned people in Australia, and Pacific Islands that are the most vulnerable to the effects of climate change.



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